

THE CLAIMS

1. A refuse bag supporting device comprising:
 - a plurality of refuse bag supporting members;
 - a plurality of corner members joining the refuse bag supporting member end to end to define a refuse bag supporting frame;
 - a plurality of legs for positioning the refuse bag supporting frame in a plurality of orientations including a substantially horizontal orientation and a substantially vertical orientation;
 - means for supporting each of the legs on the frame for pivotal movement with respect thereto between a first orientation wherein the leg extends perpendicularly relative to the frame at a second orientation wherein the leg extends parallel relative to the frame;
 - each of the legs comprising a relatively large diameter tubular member and a relatively small diameter tubular member which is slidably received in the relatively large diameter tubular member; and
 - means for selectively retaining each of the legs in an extended configuration and in a retracted configuration relative to the frame.

2. The refuse bag supporting device according to
claim 1 wherein the means for pivotally supporting the legs
on the frame comprising a plurality of L-shaped members
each extending between one of the corner members of the
5 frame and one of the legs.

3. The refuse bag supporting device according to
claim 2 wherein at least one of the L-shaped members
supports one of the legs relatively outwardly with respect
to the frame and wherein at least one of the L-shaped
10 members supports one of the legs relatively inwardly with
respect to the frame.

4. The refuse bag supporting device according to
claim 1 wherein the refuse bag supporting members are
secured to the corner members by bayonet connectors.

15 5. The refuse bag supporting device according to
claim 2 wherein the L-shaped members are secured to the
corner members by bayonet connectors.

6. The refuse bag supporting device according to
claim 2 wherein the legs are secured to the L-shaped
20 members by bayonet connectors.

7. The refuse bag supporting device according to claim 1 wherein the means for selectively retaining each of the legs in an extended configuration and in a retracted configuration comprises bayonet connectors.

5 8. The refuse bag supporting device according to claim 1 further including means for securing a refuse bag in engagement with the frame.

9. The refuse bag supporting device according to claim 8 further characterized by a plurality of projections
10 mounted on the frame for receiving a refuse bag thereover and a plurality of flexible retaining members each individual to one of the projections for securing the refuse bag in engagement therewith.

10. The refuse bag supporting device according to
15 claim 8 wherein the refuse bag retaining device comprises a plurality of flexible members mounted on the frame for securing the refuse bag into engagement therewith.

11. The refuse bag supporting device according to
claim 8 wherein the refuse bag retaining means comprises
a plurality of apertures mounted on the frame for receiving
a refuse bag thereover and a plurality of plugs each
5 individual to one of the apertures for securing the refuse
bag into engagement therewith.

12. A refuse bag supporting device comprising:

a plurality of refuse bag supporting members;

a plurality of corner members joining the refuse bag supporting members end to end to define a refuse bag
5 supporting frame;

a plurality of legs for positioning the refuse bag supporting frame in a plurality of orientations including a substantially horizontal orientation and a substantially vertical orientation;

10 a plurality of L-shaped members each individual to one of the corner members and to one of the legs for supporting each of the legs on the frame for pivotal movement with respect thereto between a first orientation wherein the leg extends perpendicularly relative to the
15 frame and a second orientation wherein the leg extends parallel relative to the frame;

each of the legs comprising a relatively large diameter tubular member secured to and extending from its respective L-shaped member and a relatively small diameter
20 tubular member which is slidably received in the relatively large diameter tubular member;

means for selectively retaining each of the legs in an extended configuration and in a retracted configuration relative to the frame; and

means for retaining a refuse bag in engagement
with the refuse bag supporting frame.